

PRODUCT OF FUNCTIONS IN BMO AND \mathcal{H}^1 IN NON-HOMOGENEOUS SPACES

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Abstract

Under the assumption that the underlying measure is a non-negative Radon measure which only satisfies some growth condition and may not be doubling, we define the product of functions in the regular BMO and the atomic block \mathcal{H}^1 in the sense of distribution, and show that this product may be split into two parts, one in L^1 and the other in some Hardy-Orlicz space.

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1 Introduction

In their paper [1], Bonami, Iwaniec, Jones and Zinsmeister defined the product of functions $f \in BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and $h \in \mathcal{H}^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ as a distribution operating on a test function $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ by the rule

$$\langle f \times h, \varphi \rangle := \langle f\varphi, h \rangle. \quad (1.1)$$

They proved that such distribution can be written as the sum of a function in $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and a distribution in a Hardy-Orlicz space $\mathcal{H}^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbb{R}^n, v)$ where

$$\mathcal{P}(t) = \frac{t}{\log(e+t)} \text{ and } dv(x) = \frac{dx}{\log(e+|x|)}. \quad (1.2)$$

Bonami and Feuto in [2] considered the case where $BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is replaced by its local version $bmo(\mathbb{R}^n)$ introduced by Goldberg in [3], and proved that in this case, the weighted Hardy-Orlicz space is replaced by a space of amalgam type in the sense of Wiener [4]. Following the idea in [1] and [2], the author in [5] generalized this result in the setting of space of homogeneous type (\mathcal{X}, d, μ) . We recall that a space of homogeneous type is a non-empty set \mathcal{X} equipped with a quasi metric d and a positive Radon measure μ such that

$$\mu(B(x, 2r)) \leq C\mu(B(x, r)), \quad x \in \mathcal{X}, \quad r > 0 \quad (1.3)$$

where $B(x, r) = \{y \in \mathcal{X} : d(x, y) < r\}$ is the ball centered at x and having radius r .

This doubling condition is an essential assumption for most results in classical function spaces, Calderón-Zygmund theory and operators theory. However, it has been shown recently (see [6], [7], [8], [9] and [10], and the reference therein) that one can drop the doubling condition and still obtain interesting results in the classical Calderón-Zygmund theory and on the classical Hardy and BMO spaces. In particular, Tolsa in [7] introduced, when the measure satisfies only the growth condition (1.4), the regular bounded mean oscillation space $RBMO(\mu)$ and its predual space $\mathcal{H}_{atb}^{1,\infty}(\mu)$. He showed that these spaces have similar properties to those of the classical BMO and \mathcal{H}^1 defined for doubling measures.

The purpose of this paper is to define the product of function in $RBMO(\mu)$ and $\mathcal{H}_{atb}^{1,\infty}(\mu)$ in the sense of distribution, and to prove that some results obtained in [2], [5] and [1] are valid in this context. To make our idea clear, let us give some notations and definitions.

Let n, d be some fixed integers with $0 < n \leq d$. We consider $(\mathbb{R}^d, |\cdot|, \mu)$, where $|\cdot|$ is the Euclidean metric and μ a positive Radon measure that only satisfies the following growth condition

$$\mu(B(x, r)) \leq C_0 r^n, \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{R}^d \text{ and } r > 0, \quad (1.4)$$

where $C_0 > 0$ is an absolute constant. Throughout the paper, by a cube $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, we mean a closed cube with sides parallel to the axis and centered at some point x_Q of $\text{supp}(\mu)$, and if $\|\mu\| < \infty$, we allow $Q = \mathbb{R}^d$ too.

If Q is a cube, we denote by $\ell(Q)$ the side length of Q and for $\alpha > 0$, we denote αQ the cube with same center as Q , but side length α times as long. We will always choose the constant C_0 in (1.4) such that for all cubes Q , we have $\mu(Q) \leq C_0 \ell(Q)^n$.

For two fixed cubes $Q \subset R$ in \mathbb{R}^d , set

$$S_{Q,R} = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{N_{Q,R}} \frac{\mu(2^k Q)}{\ell^n(2^k Q)} \quad (1.5)$$

where $N_{Q,R}$ is the smallest positive integer k such that $\ell(2^k Q) \geq \ell(R)$ (in the case $R = \mathbb{R}^d \neq Q$, we set $N_{Q,R} = \infty$).

For a fixed $\rho > 1$ and $p \in (1, \infty]$, a function $b \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$ is called a p -atomic block if

- (i) there exists some cube R such that $\text{supp } b \subset R$,
- (ii) $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} b \, d\mu = 0$,
- (iii) there are functions a_j supported on cubes $Q_j \subset R$ and numbers $\lambda_j \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $b = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_j a_j$ and

$$\|a_j\|_{L^p(\mu)} \leq (\mu(\rho Q_j))^{\frac{1}{p}-1} (S_{Q_j, R})^{-1}, \quad (1.6)$$

where we used the natural convention that $\frac{1}{\infty} = 0$. We put

$$|b|_{\mathcal{H}_{atb}^{1,p}(\mu)} := \sum_j |\lambda_j|. \quad (1.7)$$

Definition 1.1. ([7]) We say that $h \in \mathcal{H}_{atb}^{1,p}(\mu)$ if there are p -atomic blocks b_j such that

$$h = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} b_j \text{ with } \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |b_j|_{\mathcal{H}_{atb}^{1,p}(\mu)} < \infty, \quad (1.8)$$

The atomic block Hardy space $\mathcal{H}_{atb}^{1,p}(\mu)$ is a Banach space when equipped with the norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{H}_{atb}^{1,p}(\mu)}$ defined by

$$\|h\|_{\mathcal{H}_{atb}^{1,p}(\mu)} = \inf \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |b_j|_{\mathcal{H}_{atb}^{1,p}(\mu)}, \quad h \in \mathcal{H}_{atb}^{1,p}(\mu), \quad (1.9)$$

where the infimum is taken over all possible decomposition of h into atomic blocks.

As it is proved in Proposition 5.1 and in Theorem 5.5 of [7], the definition of $\mathcal{H}_{atb}^{1,p}(\mu)$ does not depend on ρ and we have that, for all $1 < p < \infty$, the spaces $\mathcal{H}_{atb}^{1,p}(\mu)$ are topologically equivalent to $\mathcal{H}_{atb}^{1,\infty}(\mu)$. So in the sequel, we shall use the notation $\mathcal{H}^1(\mu)$ instead of $\mathcal{H}_{atb}^{1,\infty}(\mu)$, and take $\rho = 2$.

When $b \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$ satisfies only Condition (i) and (iii) of the definition of atomic blocks, we say that it is a p -block and put $|b|_{\mathfrak{h}_{atb}^1(\mu)} = \sum_j |\lambda_j|$. Moreover, we say that h belongs to the local Hardy space $\mathfrak{h}_{atb}^1(\mu)$ (see [9]), if there are p -atomic blocks or p -blocks b_j such that

$$h = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} b_j, \quad (1.10)$$

where $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |b_j|_{\mathfrak{h}_{atb}^1(\mu)} < \infty$, b_j is an atomic block if $\text{supp } b_j \subset R_j$ and $\ell(R_j) \leq 1$, and b_j is a block if $\text{supp } b_j \subset R_j$ and $\ell(R_j) > 1$. We define the $\mathfrak{h}_{atb}^1(\mu)$ norm of h by

$$\|h\|_{\mathfrak{h}_{atb}^1(\mu)} = \inf \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |b_j|_{\mathfrak{h}_{atb}^1(\mu)}, \quad (1.11)$$

where the infimum is taken over all possible decompositions of h into atomic blocks or blocks.

The definition of local Hardy space is independent of $\rho > 0$ and for $1 < p < \infty$, we have $\mathfrak{h}_{atb}^{1,p}(\mu) = \mathfrak{h}_{atb}^{1,\infty}(\mu)$ (see Proposition 3.4 and Theorem 3.8 of [9]). This allow us to just denote it by $\mathfrak{h}^1(\mu)$ and consider also $\rho = 2$.

In Theorem 5.5 of [7] and Theorem 3.8 of [9], it is proved that the dual space of $\mathcal{H}^1(\mu)$ and $\mathfrak{h}^1(\mu)$ are respectively $RBMO(\mu)$ and its local version $\text{rbmo}(\mu)$ (see Section 2 for more explanations about these spaces).

Let $h = \sum_j b_j$ belonging to $\mathcal{H}^1(\mu)$, where the atomic block b_j is supported in the cube R_j and satisfies $b_j = \sum_i \lambda_{ij} a_{ij}$ for a_{ij} 's and λ_{ij} 's as in the definition of atomic blocks. For $f \in RBMO(\mu)$, we denote by $f_{\tilde{R}}$ the mean value of f over the cube \tilde{R} , which is an appropriate dilation of the cube R (see Section 2 for more explanation). We can see from the proof of Theorem 1.2 that the double series

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(f - f_{\tilde{R}_j} \right) b_j = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_{ij} \left(f - f_{\tilde{R}_j} \right) a_{ij} \right) \quad (1.12)$$

converges normally in $L^1(\mu)$, while

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} f_{\tilde{R}_j} b_j = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f_{\tilde{R}_j} \lambda_{ij} a_{ij} \right) \quad (1.13)$$

converges in the Hardy-Orlicz space $\mathcal{H}^{\varphi}(\nu)$, where $\varphi(t) = \frac{t}{\log(e+t)}$ and $d\nu(x) = \frac{d\mu(x)}{\log(e+|x|)}$. Since both convergence implies convergence in the sense of distribution, we define the product of f and h as the sum of both series by

$$f \times h = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(f - f_{\tilde{R}_j} \right) b_j + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} f_{\tilde{R}_j} b_j. \quad (1.14)$$

It follows that

Theorem 1.2. *For f in $RBMO(\mu)$ and h in $\mathcal{H}^1(\mu)$, the product $f \times h$ can be given a meaning in the sense of distributions. Moreover, we have the inclusion*

$$f \times h \in L^1(\mu) + \mathcal{H}^{\varphi}(\nu). \quad (1.15)$$

When we replaced $RBMO(\mu)$ by its local version $\text{rbmo}(\mu)$ as define in [9] (see also [11]) we obtain the analogous of the result in [2]. We also obtain interesting results by replacing both $RBMO(\mu)$ and $\mathcal{H}^1(\mu)$ with their local version.

The paper is organized as follows, in Section 2 we recall the definition of the space $RBMO(\mu)$, its local version and some properties involved.

Section 3 is devoted to auxiliary results and prerequisites in Orlicz spaces while in Section 4 we give the proof of the main results and their extensions.

Throughout the paper, the letter C is used for non-negative constants that may change from one occurrence to another. Constants with subscript, such as C_0 , do not change in different occurrences. The notation $A \approx B$ stands for $C^{-1}A \leq B \leq CA$, C being a constant not depending on the main parameters involved.

2 Prerequisite about $RBMO(\mu)$, $\mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)$, $\mathcal{H}^1(\mu)$ and $\mathfrak{h}^1(\mu)$ spaces

Definition 2.1. Let $\alpha > 1$ and $\beta > \alpha^n$, we say that a cube Q is an (α, β) -doubling cube if $\mu(\alpha Q) \leq \beta \mu(Q)$.

It is proved in [7] that there are a lot of "big" doubling cubes and also a lot of "small" doubling cubes, this due to the facts that μ satisfies the growth Condition (1.4) and $\beta > \alpha^n$. More precisely, given any point $x \in \text{supp}(\mu)$ and $c > 0$, there exists some (α, β) -doubling cube Q centered at x with $\ell(Q) \geq c$.

On the other hand, if $\beta > \alpha^n$ then, for μ -a.e. $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$, there exists a sequence of (α, β) -doubling cubes $\{Q_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ centered at x with $\ell(Q_k) \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

In the following, for any $\alpha > 1$, we denote by β_α one of these big constants β . For definiteness, one can assume that β_α is twice the infimum of these β 's.

Given $\rho > 1$, we let N be the smallest non-negative integer such that $2^N Q$ is (ρ, β_ρ) -doubling and we denote this cube by \tilde{Q} .

Definition 2.2. ([9]) Let $\rho > 1$ be some fixed constant.

(a) Let $1 < \eta < \infty$. We say that $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$ is in $RBMO(\mu)$ if there exists a non-negative constant C_2 such that for any cube Q ,

$$\frac{1}{\mu(\eta Q)} \int_Q |f(x) - f_{\tilde{Q}}| d\mu(x) \leq C_2, \quad (2.1)$$

and for any two (ρ, β_ρ) -doubling cubes $Q \subset R$

$$|f_Q - f_R| \leq C_2 S_{Q,R}. \quad (2.2)$$

Let us put

$$\|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)} = \inf \{C_2 : (2.1) \text{ and } (2.2) \text{ hold}\}. \quad (2.3)$$

(b) Let $1 < \eta \leq \rho < \infty$. We say that $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$ belongs to $\mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)$ if there exists some constant C_3 such that (2.1) holds for any cube Q with $\ell(Q) \leq 1$ and C_3 instead of C_2 , (2.2) holds for any two (ρ, β_ρ) -doubling cubes $Q \subset R$ with $\ell(Q) \leq 1$ and C_3 instead of C_2 , and

$$\frac{1}{\mu(\eta Q)} \int_Q |f(x)| d\mu(x) \leq C_3 \quad (2.4)$$

for any cube Q with $\ell(Q) > 1$. We set

$$\|f\|_{\mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)} = \inf \{C_3 : (2.1), (2.2) \text{ and } (2.4) \text{ hold}\}. \quad (2.5)$$

We should have referred to the choice of constants η, ρ and β in the terminology, but it is proved in [7] and [9] that $RBMO(\mu)$ and $\mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)$ are independent of their choice. We also have (see Proposition 2.5 of [7] and Proposition 2.2 of [9]) that $(RBMO(\mu), \|\cdot\|_{RBMO(\mu)})$ and $(\mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu), \|\cdot\|_{\mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)})$ are Banach spaces of functions (modulo additive constants).

We have that $S_{Q,R} \approx 1 + \delta(Q, R)$ (see [8]), where

$$\delta(Q, R) = \max \left(\int_{Q \setminus R} \frac{d\mu(x)}{|x - x_Q|^n}, \int_{R \setminus Q} \frac{d\mu(x)}{|x - x_R|^n} \right), \quad (2.6)$$

and there exists a constant $\kappa > 0$ such that for all cubes $Q \subset R$ we have

$$\delta(Q, R) \leq \kappa \left(1 + \log\left(\frac{\ell(R)}{\ell(Q)}\right) \right). \quad (2.7)$$

Lemma 2.3. *Let $f \in RBMO(\mu)$ and $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^d)$. Then the pointwise product $f\varphi \in RBMO(\mu)$. Moreover, if $f \in \mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)$ then $f\varphi \in \mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)$.*

Proof. Let $f \in RBMO(\mu)$ and $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ with support in the cube Q_0 . We assume without loss of generality that $f_{2\tilde{Q}_0} = 0$. The point wise product $f\varphi$ belongs to $RBMO(\mu)$ if and only if for some real number $\rho > 1$, there exists $C > 0$ and a collection of numbers $\{C_Q(f\varphi)\}_Q$ (i.e for each cube Q , there exists $C_Q(f\varphi) \in \mathbb{R}$) such that

$$\int_Q |(f\varphi)(x) - C_Q(f\varphi)| d\mu(x) \leq C \quad (2.8)$$

and

$$|C_Q(f\varphi) - C_R(f\varphi)| \leq CS_{Q,R} \text{ for any two cubes } Q \subset R. \quad (2.9)$$

A-The choice of the numbers $C_Q(f\varphi)$ satisfying (2.8)

Let Q be a cube in \mathbb{R}^d . If

1. $\mu(Q \cap Q_0) = 0$, or
2. $\mu(Q \cap Q_0) > 0$ and $Q \not\subset 2Q_0$

then we take $C_Q(f\varphi) = 0$. In the case (1) we have $\int_Q |f\varphi| d\mu = 0$ while in the case (2) we have $Q_0 \subset 5Q$ so that

$$\int_Q |f\varphi| d\mu = \int_{Q \cap Q_0} |f\varphi| d\mu \leq \int_{Q_0} |f\varphi| d\mu \leq C \|\varphi\|_{L^\infty} \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)} \mu(\rho Q).$$

for any $\rho > 5$. We suppose now that $\mu(Q \cap Q_0) > 0$ and $Q \subset 2Q_0$.

We put $C_Q(f\varphi) = f_{\tilde{Q}}\varphi_Q$. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_Q |f\varphi - f_{\tilde{Q}}\varphi_Q| d\mu &= \int_Q |(f - f_{\tilde{Q}})\varphi + f_{\tilde{Q}}(\varphi - \varphi_Q)| d\mu \\ &\leq \|\varphi\|_{L^\infty} \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)} \mu(\rho Q) + |f_{\tilde{Q}}| \int_Q |\varphi - \varphi_Q| d\mu. \end{aligned}$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} |f_{\tilde{Q}}| &= |f_{\tilde{Q}} - f_{2\tilde{Q}_0}| \leq S_{Q,2Q_0} \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)} \\ &\leq C(1 + \delta_{(Q,2Q_0)}) \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)} \leq C(1 + \log(\frac{2\ell(Q_0)}{\ell(Q)})) \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}, \end{aligned}$$

according to Lemma 2.4 of [8]. So that taking into consideration the following classical result

$$\int_Q |\varphi - \varphi_Q| d\mu \leq C \|\nabla \varphi\|_{L^\infty} \ell(Q) \mu(Q)$$

and the fact that $2\ell(Q_0) \geq \ell(Q)$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |f_{\tilde{Q}}| \int_Q |(\varphi - \varphi_Q)| d\mu &\leq C(1 + \log(\frac{2\ell(Q_0)}{\ell(Q)})) \ell(Q) \mu(Q) \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)} \\ &\leq C\mu(Q) \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}. \end{aligned}$$

B-Prove that the collection satisfy (2.9)

Let $Q \subset R$ be two cubes. If $R \cap Q_0 = \emptyset$ or $Q \not\subset 2Q_0$, then $C_Q(f\varphi) = C_R(f\varphi) = 0$. Thus there is nothing to prove.

We suppose that $R \cap Q_0 \neq \emptyset$ and $Q \subset 2Q_0$.

If $R \not\subset 2Q_0$ then $C_R(f\varphi) = 0$ and $Q_0 \subset 5R$, so that

$$\begin{aligned} |f_{\tilde{Q}}\varphi_Q| &\leq \|\varphi\|_{L^\infty} |f_{\tilde{Q}} - f_{2\tilde{Q}_0}| \leq \|\varphi\|_{L^\infty} S_{Q,2Q_0} \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)} \\ &\leq \|\varphi\|_{L^\infty} S_{Q,10R} \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)} \leq C \|\varphi\|_{L^\infty} S_{Q,R} \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}. \end{aligned}$$

If $R \subset 2Q_0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |C_R(f\varphi) - C_Q(f\varphi)| &= |f_{\tilde{R}}\varphi_R - f_{\tilde{Q}}\varphi_Q| \leq \|\varphi\|_{L^\infty} |f_{\tilde{R}} - f_{\tilde{Q}}| + |f_{\tilde{R}}| |\varphi_R - \varphi_Q| \\ &\leq \|\varphi\|_{L^\infty} S_{Q,R} \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)} + |f_{\tilde{R}}| |\varphi_R - \varphi_Q|. \end{aligned}$$

Let us estimate the second term.

$$\begin{aligned} |f_{\tilde{R}}| |\varphi_R - \varphi_Q| &\leq C |f_{\tilde{R}}| (\ell(R) + \ell(Q) + \text{dist}(x_Q, x_R)) \\ &\leq C(1 + |f_{\tilde{R}}| \text{dist}(x_Q, x_R)), \end{aligned}$$

where x_Q and x_R denote the centers of the cubes Q and R respectively. But $\text{dist}(x_Q, x_R) \leq C\ell(Q_R)$ and $|f_{\tilde{R}}| \leq |f_{\tilde{Q}_R}| + |f_{\tilde{Q}_R} - f_{\tilde{R}}|$, which leads to

$$\begin{aligned} |f_{\tilde{R}}| \text{dist}(Q, R) &\leq C\ell(Q_R) (|f_{\tilde{Q}_R}| + |f_{\tilde{Q}_R} - f_{\tilde{R}}|) \\ &\leq C \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)} + S_{R,Q_R} \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)} \leq C \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}. \end{aligned}$$

The result follow.

Let us consider know the particular case where f belongs to $\mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)$. For any cube Q such that $\ell(Q) > 1$, we have

$$|C_Q(f\varphi)| \leq |f_{\tilde{Q}}| |\varphi_Q| \leq \|\varphi\|_{L^\infty} \|f\|_{\mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)} \mu(\eta\tilde{Q}) / \mu(\tilde{Q}) \leq C \|\varphi\|_{L^\infty(\mu)} \|f\|_{\mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)}$$

for some positive constant C and fixed $1 < \eta \leq \rho$, since $\ell(\tilde{Q}) \geq \ell(Q)$. It follows that $f\varphi \in \mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)$. \square

Inequalities of John-Nirenberg type are valid in both spaces. More precisely we have

Theorem 2.4. [7] *Let $f \in RBMO(\mu)$. For any cube Q and any $\lambda > 0$, we have*

$$\mu(\{x \in Q : |f(x) - f_{\tilde{Q}}| > \lambda\}) \leq C_4 \mu(\rho Q) \exp\left(-\frac{C_5 \lambda}{\|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}}\right), \quad (2.10)$$

where the constants $C_4 > 0$ and $C_5 > 0$ depend only on $\rho > 1$

As we can see in Theorem 2.6 of [9], one can replace in the previous theorem the space $RBMO(\mu)$ by its local version $\text{rbmo}(\mu)$ provided the cube Q satisfies $\ell(Q) \leq 1$, while for cubes Q such that $\ell(Q) > 1$ we have $\mu(\{x \in Q : |f(x)| > \lambda\}) \leq C_4 \mu(\rho Q) \exp\left(-\frac{C_5 \lambda}{\|f\|_{\text{rbmo}(\mu)}}\right)$. An immediate consequence of this result is that there exists a non-negative constant C_6 , which can be chosen as big as we like, such that for all cube Q and $\text{const} \not\equiv f \in RBMO(\mu)$,

$$\frac{1}{\mu(\rho Q)} \int_Q \exp\left(\frac{|f - f_{\tilde{Q}}|}{C_6 \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}}\right) d\mu \leq 1. \quad (2.11)$$

We also have the following:

Lemma 2.5. *Let $\text{const} \not\equiv f \in RBMO(\mu)$ and \mathbb{Q} the unit cube. We have*

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{\left(\exp\left(\frac{|f(x) - f_{\tilde{Q}}|}{k}\right) - 1\right) d\mu(x)}{(1 + |x|)^{2n+\kappa}} \leq 1 \quad (2.12)$$

where $k = C_7 \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}$.

Proof. Let $f \in RBMO(\mu)$ with $\|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)} \neq 0$. We have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{e^{\frac{|f(x) - f_{\tilde{Q}}|}{C_6 \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}}} - 1}{(1 + |x|)^{2n+\kappa}} d\mu(x) = \int_{\mathbb{Q}} \frac{e^{\frac{|f(x) - f_{\tilde{Q}}|}{C_6 \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}}} - 1}{(1 + |x|)^{2n+\kappa}} d\mu(x) + \int_{\mathbb{Q}^c} \frac{e^{\frac{|f(x) - f_{\tilde{Q}}|}{C_6 \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}}} - 1}{(1 + |x|)^{2n+\kappa}} d\mu(x),$$

where $\mathbb{Q}^c = \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \mathbb{Q}$. The first term in the right hand side is less than $\mu(\rho \mathbb{Q})$. For the second term, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{Q}^c} \frac{e^{\frac{|f(x) - f_{\tilde{Q}}|}{C_6 \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}}} - 1}{(1 + |x|)^{2n+\kappa}} d\mu(x) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{2^{k+1}\mathbb{Q} \setminus 2^k\mathbb{Q}} \frac{e^{\frac{|f(x) - f_{\tilde{Q}}|}{C_6 \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}}} - 1}{(1 + |x|)^{2n+\kappa}} d\mu(x) \\ &\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^{-(2n+\kappa)k} \int_{2^{k+1}\mathbb{Q}} \left(e^{\frac{|f(x) - f_{\tilde{Q}}|}{C_6 \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}}} - 1 \right) d\mu(x). \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, there exists a non-negative constant K such that

$$|f_{\tilde{R}} - f_{\tilde{Q}}| \leq K S_{Q,R} \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)} \text{ for two cubes } Q \subset R, \quad (2.13)$$

as we can see in the proof of Lemma 2.8 in [7]. We also have $S_{\mathbb{Q}, 2^{k+1}\mathbb{Q}} \leq (k+2)$, which leads to $|f_{\tilde{Q}} - f_{2^{k+1}\tilde{Q}}| \leq \log(2^{\frac{K}{\log 2}(k+2)}) \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}$.

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^{-(2n+\kappa)k} \int_{2^{k+1}\mathbb{Q}} \left(e^{\frac{|f(x) - f_{\tilde{Q}}|}{C_6 \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}}} - 1 \right) d\mu(x) \\ &\leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^{-(2n+\kappa)k} 2^{\frac{K}{\log 2}(k+2)} \int_{2^{k+1}\mathbb{Q}} \left(e^{\frac{|f(x) - f_{2^{k+1}\tilde{Q}}|}{C_6 \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}}} - 1 \right) d\mu(x) \\ &\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^{(-n-\kappa+\frac{K}{\log 2})k}. \end{aligned}$$

If we choose $C_6 > \frac{K}{(n+\kappa)\log 2}$ then the above series converges. Finally we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{e^{\frac{|f(x)-f_{\bar{Q}}|}{C_6\|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}}} - 1}{(1+|x|)^{2n+\kappa}} d\mu(x) \leq K_1, \quad (2.14)$$

where K_1 is a non-negative constant not depending on f .

Thus the result follows from taking $C_7 = \max(C_6, K_1 C_6)$. \square

3 Some properties of Orlicz and Hardy-Orlicz space

For the definition of Hardy-Orlicz space, we need the maximal characterization of $\mathcal{H}^1(\mu)$ given in [8].

Let $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$, we set

$$\mathcal{M} f(x) = \sup_{\varphi \in F(x)} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f \varphi d\mu \right|, \quad (3.1)$$

where for $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $F(x)$ is the set of $\varphi \in L^1(\mu) \cap C^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ satisfying the following conditions:

$$\|\varphi\|_{L^1(\mu)} \leq 1, \quad (3.2)$$

$$0 \leq \varphi(y) \leq \frac{1}{|y-x|^n} \text{ for all } y \in \mathbb{R}^d \quad (3.3)$$

and

$$|\nabla \varphi(y)| \leq \frac{1}{|y-x|^{n+1}} \text{ for all } y \in \mathbb{R}^d. \quad (3.4)$$

Tolsa proved in Theorem 1.2 of [8] that a function $f \in L^1(\mu)$ belongs to the Hardy space $\mathcal{H}^1(\mu)$ if and only if $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f d\mu = 0$ and $\mathcal{M} f \in L^1(\mu)$. Moreover, in this case we have

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{H}^1(\mu)} \approx \|f\|_{L^1(\mu)} + \|\mathcal{M} f\|_{L^1(\mu)}. \quad (3.5)$$

Hardy-Orlicz spaces are defined via this maximal characterization. We recall that for a continuous function $\mathcal{P} : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ increasing from zero to infinity (but not necessarily convex), the Orlicz space $L^\mathcal{P}(\mu)$ consists of μ -measurable functions $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\|f\|_{L^\mathcal{P}(\mu)} := \inf \left\{ k > 0 : \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathcal{P}(k^{-1}|f|) d\mu \leq 1 \right\} < \infty. \quad (3.6)$$

In general, the nonlinear functional $\|\cdot\|_{L^\mathcal{P}(\mu)}$ need not satisfy the triangle inequality. It is well known that $L^\mathcal{P}(\mu)$ is a complete linear metric space, see [12]. The $L^\mathcal{P}$ -distance between f and g is given by

$$\text{dist}_\mathcal{P}[f, g] := \inf \left\{ \rho > 0 : \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathcal{P}(\rho^{-1}|f-g|) d\mu \leq \rho \right\} < \infty. \quad (3.7)$$

The Hardy-Orlicz space $\mathcal{H}^{\mathcal{P}}(\mu)$ consists of local integrable function f such that $\mathcal{M}f \in L^{\mathcal{P}}(\mu)$. We put

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{H}^{\mathcal{P}}(\mu)} = \|\mathcal{M}f\|_{L^{\mathcal{P}}(\mu)}. \quad (3.8)$$

It comes from what precede that $\mathcal{H}^{\mathcal{P}}(\mu)$ is a complete linear metric space, a Banach space when \mathcal{P} is convex. These spaces have previously been dealt with by many authors, see [13, 14, 15] and further references given there. When we consider the Orlicz function $\wp(t) = \frac{t}{\log(e+t)}$, we have the following results given in [1].

- If $\text{dist}_{\wp}[f, g] \leq 1$ then $\|f - g\|_{L^{\wp}(\mu)} \leq \text{dist}_{\wp}[f, g] \leq 1$,
- The sequence $(f_j)_{j>0}$ converges to f in $L^{\wp}(\mu)$ if and only if $\|f_j - f\|_{L^{\wp}(\mu)} \rightarrow 0$,
- We have duality between the Orlicz space $L^{\Xi}(\mu)$ associated to the Orlicz function $\Xi(t) = e^t - 1$ and $L^{\tilde{\wp}}(\mu)$ with $\tilde{\wp}(x) = x \log(e+x)$ in the sense that for $f \in L^{\Xi}(\mu)$ and $g \in L^{\tilde{\wp}}(\mu)$ we have

$$\|fg\|_{L^1(\mu)} \leq \|f\|_{L^{\Xi}(\mu)} \|g\|_{L^{\tilde{\wp}}(\mu)}. \quad (3.9)$$

- For $f, g \in L^{\wp}(\mu)$, we have the following substitute of the additivity

$$\|f + g\|_{L^{\wp}(\mu)} \leq 4\|f\|_{L^{\wp}(\mu)} + 4\|g\|_{L^{\wp}(\mu)}. \quad (3.10)$$

- Let

$$d\sigma = \frac{d\mu}{(1+|x|)^{2n+\kappa}} \text{ and } dv = \frac{d\mu}{\log(e+|x|)}, \quad (3.11)$$

for $f \in L^{\Xi}(\sigma)$ and $g \in L^1(\mu)$, we have $fg \in L^{\wp}(v)$ and

$$\|fg\|_{L^{\wp}(v)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^{\Xi}(\sigma)} \|g\|_{L^1(\mu)}. \quad (3.12)$$

and for $f \in RBMO(\mu)$ and $g \in L^1(\mu)$,

$$\|fg\|_{L^{\wp}(v)} \leq C \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)^+} \|g\|_{L^1(\mu)}, \quad (3.13)$$

where $\|f\|_{RBMO^+(\mu)} = \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)} + |f|_{\mathbb{Q}}$

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Proof of Theorem 1.2. Let $f \in RBMO(\mu)$ and $h \in \mathcal{H}^1(\mu)$, h having the p -atomic blocks decomposition given in (1.8), i.e.

$$h = \sum_j b_j, \quad (4.1)$$

where $b_j = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_{ij} a_{ij}$ is the atomic-block supported in the cube R_j , a_{ij} supported in the cube $Q_{ij} \subset R_j$ and $\|a_{ij}\|_{L^{\infty}(\mu)} \leq \mu(\rho Q_{ij})^{-1} (S_{Q_{ij}, R_j})^{-1}$.

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \lambda_{ij} (f - f_{\tilde{R}_j}) a_{ij} \right\|_{L^1(\mu)} &\leq |\lambda_{ij}| \int_{Q_{ij}} |f - f_{\tilde{R}_j}| |a_{ij}| d\mu \\ &\leq |\lambda_{ij}| \left(\int_{Q_{ij}} |f - f_{\tilde{Q}_{ij}}| |a_{ij}| d\mu + \int_{Q_{ij}} |f_{\tilde{R}_j} - f_{\tilde{Q}_{ij}}| |a_{ij}| d\mu \right) \\ &\leq C |\lambda_{ij}| \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}, \end{aligned}$$

according to Inequalities (2.13) and (1.6), which proves that the first series $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (f - f_{\tilde{R}_j}) b_j = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_{ij} (f - f_{\tilde{R}_j}) a_{ij}$ converges normally in $L^1(\mu)$, since the atomic decomposition theorem asserts that the double series $\sum_{i,j} |\lambda_{ij}|$ converges. It remains to prove the convergence of

$$S = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_{ij} f_{\tilde{R}_j} a_{ij} \right) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} f_{\tilde{R}_j} b_j \quad (4.2)$$

in $\mathcal{H}^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{v})$. For this purpose, we have to prove that the sequence $S_N = \mathcal{M} \left(\sum_{j=1}^N f_{\tilde{R}_j} b_j \right)$ is Cauchy in $L^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{v})$. This is equivalent to prove that $\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathcal{M}(\tilde{S}_l^k)\|_{L^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{v})} = 0$, where

$$\tilde{S}_l^k = \sum_{j=l}^k f_{\tilde{R}_j} b_j \text{ with } l \leq k. \quad (4.3)$$

Since

$$\mathcal{M} \left(f_{\tilde{R}_j} b_j \right) \leq |f - f_{\tilde{R}_j}| \mathcal{M}(b_j) + |f| \mathcal{M}(b_j), \quad (4.4)$$

we have that

$$\left\| \mathcal{M} \left(\tilde{S}_l^k \right) \right\|_{L^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{v})} \leq 4 \left\| \sum_{j=l}^k |f - f_{\tilde{R}_j}| \mathcal{M}(b_j) \right\|_{L^1(\mu)} + 4 \left\| \sum_{j=l}^k |f| \mathcal{M}(b_j) \right\|_{L^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{v})}, \quad (4.5)$$

according to (3.10) and the fact that $\|f\|_{L^{\mathcal{P}}(\mu)} \leq \|f\|_{L^1(\mu)}$ for all measurable functions f . Let us consider the first term in the second member of (4.5). We have

$$\left\| \sum_{j=l}^k |f - f_{\tilde{R}_j}| \mathcal{M}(b_j) \right\|_{L^1(\mu)} \leq \sum_{j=l}^k \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\lambda_{ij}| \left(|f - f_{\tilde{Q}_{ij}}| + |f_{\tilde{R}_j} - f_{\tilde{Q}_{ij}}| \right) \mathcal{M}(a_{ij}) \right\|_{L^1(\mu)}, \quad (4.6)$$

since $\mathcal{M}(b_j) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\lambda_{ij}| \mathcal{M}(a_{ij})$. From the definition of $\mathcal{M}(a_{ij})$, we have

$$\mathcal{M}(a_{ij})(x) \leq \mu(\mathbf{p}Q_{ij})^{-1} (S_{Q_{ij}, R_j})^{-1}, \quad (4.7)$$

so that taking into consideration relation (2.13), we obtain

$$\left\| \left(|f - f_{\tilde{Q}_{ij}}| + |f_{\tilde{R}_j} - f_{\tilde{Q}_{ij}}| \right) \mathcal{M}(a_{ij}) \right\|_{L^1(\mu)} \leq C \|f\|_{RBMO(\mu)}. \quad (4.8)$$

Thus

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \sum_{j=l}^k |f - f_{\tilde{R}_j}| \mathcal{M}(b_j) \right\|_{L^1(\mu)} = 0, \quad (4.9)$$

since the double series $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\lambda_{ij}| \right)$ converges. Let us consider now the series

$$\left\| \sum_{j=l}^k |f| \mathcal{M}(b_j) \right\|_{L^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{v})} = \left\| |f| \sum_{j=l}^k \mathcal{M}(b_j) \right\|_{L^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{v})}.$$

We have

$$\left\| \sum_{j=l}^k \mathcal{M}(b_j) \right\|_{L^1(\mu)} \leq C \sum_{j=l}^k \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\lambda_{ij}| \right), \quad (4.10)$$

according to Lemma 3.1 of [8]. Furthermore, we have

$$\left\| |f| \sum_{j=l}^k \mathcal{M}(b_j) \right\|_{L^{\varphi}(\mathbb{V})} \leq \|f\|_{RBMO^+(\mu)} \left\| \sum_{j=l}^k \mathcal{M}(b_j) \right\|_{L^1(\mu)}, \quad (4.11)$$

according to (3.13). \square

Definition 4.1. ([2]) L_*^{φ} is the space of functions f such that

$$\|f\|_{L_*^{\varphi}} := \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \|f\|_{L^{\varphi}(j+\mathbb{Q})} < \infty,$$

where \mathbb{Q} is the unit cube centered at 0.

We accordingly define \mathcal{H}_*^{φ} . Using the concavity described above, we have $\varphi(st) \leq Cs\varphi(t)$ for $s > 1$. It follows that L^{φ} is contained in L_*^{φ} as a consequence of the fact that $\|f\|_{L^{\varphi}(j+\mathbb{Q})} \leq \int_{j+\mathbb{Q}} \varphi(|f|) d\mu(x)$. The converse inclusion is not true.

Theorem 4.2. For $h \in \mathcal{H}^1(\mu)$ and $f \in \mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)$, the product $f \times h$ can be given a meaning in the sense of distributions. Moreover, we have the inclusion

$$f \times h \in L^1(\mu) + \mathcal{H}_*^{\varphi}(\mu). \quad (4.12)$$

Proof. The proof is inspired by the one given in [2] in the case of Lebesgue measure. Let $f \in \mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)$ and $h \in \mathcal{H}^1(\mu)$ being as in the proof of Theorem 1.2. The series

$$\sum_j \left(\sum_i \lambda_{ij} (f - f_{\tilde{R}_j}) a_{ij} \right), \sum_j (f - f_{\tilde{R}_j}) \mathcal{M}(b_j) \text{ and } \sum_j \mathcal{M}(b_j) \quad (4.13)$$

converge normally in $L^1(\mu)$ and

$$\mathcal{M} \left(\sum_j b_j f_{\tilde{R}_j} \right) \leq \sum_j |f - f_{\tilde{R}_j}| \mathcal{M}(b_j) + |f| \sum_j \mathcal{M}(b_j). \quad (4.14)$$

Thus we just have to prove that the second term in the right hand side of (4.14) is in $L_*^{\varphi}(\mu)$. Let Q be a cube of side length 1. By John-Nirenberg inequality on $\mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)$, we have that there exists $c_7 > 0$ (we can choose any number greater than $\frac{1}{c_5} + \frac{c_4 2^n}{c_5}$) such that

$$\int_Q \left(e^{\frac{|f(x)|}{c_7 \|f(x)\|_{\mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)}}} - 1 \right) d\mu(x) \leq 1. \quad (4.15)$$

We claim that for $\psi \in L^1(\mu)$

$$\|f\psi\|_{L^{\varphi}(Q)} \leq C \|f\|_{\mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)} \int_Q |\psi| d\mu. \quad (4.16)$$

In fact, by homogeneity, we can assume that $c_7 \|f\|_{\mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)} = 1$ and it is sufficient to find some constant c such that for $\int_Q |\psi| d\mu = c$ we have

$$\int_Q \frac{|f\psi|}{\log(e + |f\psi|)} d\mu \leq 1.$$

We have

$$\int_Q \frac{|f\psi|}{\log(e + |f\psi|)} d\mu = \int_{Q \cap \{|f| \leq 1\}} \frac{|f\psi|}{\log(e + |f\psi|)} d\mu + \int_{Q \cap \{|f| > 1\}} \frac{|f\psi|}{\log(e + |f\psi|)} d\mu. \quad (4.17)$$

The first term in the second member is bounded by $\int_Q |\psi| d\mu$ and for the second term, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{Q \cap \{|f| > 1\}} \frac{|f\psi|}{\log(e + |f\psi|)} d\mu &\leq \int_{Q \cap \{|f| > 1\}} |f| \frac{|\psi|}{\log(e + |\psi|)} d\mu \\ &\leq \|f\|_{L^{\tilde{\varepsilon}}(Q)} \left\| \frac{|\psi|}{\log(e + |\psi|)} \right\|_{L^{\tilde{\varphi}}(Q)} \leq C \left\| \frac{|\psi|}{\log(e + |\psi|)} \right\|_{L^{\tilde{\varphi}}(Q)}. \end{aligned}$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} \int_Q \frac{|\psi|}{\log(e + |\psi|)} \log \left(e + \frac{|\psi|}{\log(e + |\psi|)} \right) d\mu &\leq \int_Q \frac{|\psi|}{\log(e + |\psi|)} \log(e + |\psi|) d\mu \\ &\leq \int_Q |\psi| d\mu \end{aligned}$$

Thus if $c < \frac{1}{2}$ and $\int_Q |\psi| d\mu = c$ the result follows. We have an estimate for each cube $j + \mathbb{Q}$, and sum up. This finishes the proof. \square

Since we do not have any maximal function characterization of the local Hardy spaces on non-homogeneous space in the literature, we are going to define the local space corresponding to \mathcal{H}_*^1 in the same manner as in [2]. For this purpose, we put

$$\mathcal{M}^{(1)} f(x) = \sup_{F_{loc}(x)} \left| \int f \varphi d\mu \right|, \quad (4.18)$$

where $F_{loc}(x)$ denotes the set of elements belonging to $F(x)$ as defined in Section 3, but having their support in the cube $Q(x, 1)$ centered at x with side length 1. A locally integrable function f belongs to the space $\mathfrak{h}_*^{\tilde{\varphi}}(\mu)$ if $\mathcal{M}^{(1)} f \in L_*^{\tilde{\varphi}}(\mu)$.

Proposition 4.3. *For h a function in $\mathfrak{h}^1(\mu)$ and b a function in $\mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)$, the product $b \times h$ can be given a meaning in the sense of distributions. Moreover, we have the inclusion*

$$b \times h \in L^1(\mu) + \mathfrak{h}_*^{\tilde{\varphi}}(\mu). \quad (4.19)$$

Proof. Let $f \in \mathfrak{rbmo}(\mu)$ and $h \in \mathfrak{h}^1(\mu)$ with $h = \sum_j b_j$ where b_j 's are atomic blocks or blocks. Since we do not use the cancellation property of b_j 's to prove that the $\sum_j (f - f_{\tilde{R}_j}) b_j$ converge absolutely in $L^1(\mu)$, it follows that the result remains true in this case. Thus we just

have to prove that the second term belongs to the amalgam space $\mathfrak{h}_*^\phi(\mu)$. This is immediate if we prove that for any block b_j , the quantity $\|\mathcal{M}^{(1)}b_j\|_{L^1(\mu)}$ is bounded by a constant which is independent of b_j . Let $b_j = \sum_{i=1}^\infty \lambda_{ij}a_{ij}$, where a_{ij} is supported in the cube $Q_{ij} \subset R_j$ and satisfy $\|a_{ij}\|_{L^\infty(\mu)} \leq (\mu(2Q_{ij})S_{Q_{ij}, R_j})^{-1}$. For every integer i , we have

$$\mathcal{M}^{(1)}a_{ij}(x) \leq (\mu(2Q_{ij})S_{Q_{ij}, R_j})^{-1} \chi_{2R_j}(x), \quad (4.20)$$

where χ_{2R_j} denote the characteristic function of $2R_j$. In fact, if $\varphi \in F_{loc}(x)$ then $\int a_{ij}\varphi d\mu \neq 0$ only if $x \in 2R_j$, since $\ell(R_j) > 1$. Proceeding as in the prove of Proposition 2.6 in [8], we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathcal{M}^{(1)}a_{ij}(x)d\mu(x) = \int_{2R_j} \mathcal{M}^{(1)}a_{ij}(x)d\mu(x) \leq C, \quad (4.21)$$

where C is independent of i and j . Then we conclude as in the proof of Theorem 4.2. \square

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